

REMARKS

Claims 1, 5, 8-10, 12-15, 18-19, 21, 24-40 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 15 and 21 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. Interview

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representatives by Examiners Hillery and Hutton in the April 18, 2006 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

Applicant's representatives reviewed independent claim 1 presented in Applicant's Amendment After Final Rejection (AAFR) filed on March 24, 2006, but not entered by the Examiner. The Examiners asserted that additional amendments would be required in addition to the claim amendments included in the AAFR in order to overcome the cited reference.

After discussion of various possible amendments, the Examiners agreed that amending the independent claims to recite "inserting injectable control content, **represented by an icon, button or image**, into the received document at a specified location adjacent to the link to the retrievable item" and "wherein selection of the injectable control content **executes** a functional operation upon the retrievable item identified by the link" would overcome **all art of record**, and other potentially relevant prior art discussed during the interview, such as Microsoft Word®.

II. §102(e) Rejection

Claims 1, 5, 8-10, 13-15, 18, 19, 21, 24 and 38-40 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent 6,738,841 to Wolff ("Wolff"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, "inserting injectable control content, represented by an icon, button or image, into the received document at a specified location adjacent to the link to the retrievable item. . . wherein selection of the injectable control content executes a functional operation upon the retrievable item identified by the link" (emphasis added). Wolff does not disclose, teach or suggest such a feature.

The Office Action asserts that the "create book" capability described in Wolff at col. 7, line 23 through column 8, line 5, teaches the above feature. Applicant disagrees.

As described in Wolf at col. 7, line 65 through col. 8, line 1, **"[a]fter selection at book selection page 600, the selection data is transmitted to printer driver 255. Printer driver 255 waits for further instructions from client 210 on how to use the selected links."**

Accordingly, checking a box adjacent to a document title on page 600 (e.g., see Wolff Fig. 6) results only in "selection data [being] transmitted to printer driver." In response to checking a box adjacent to a document title on page 600, no functional operation is **executed** on the **"retrievable item identified by the link,"** as recited in the claims. This is because, **"printer driver 255 [is waiting] for further instructions from client 210 on how to use the selected links."**

For example, as stated in Wolff at col. 8, lines 1-19, no further action other than transmitting selection data to a printer driver is performed until additional buttons are selected (e.g., the Preview button, or the Print button on page 400). Because these buttons are on

screens different from the screen on which the check boxes are presented, the system described in Wolff requires a user to change the displayed screen before the button that executes a functional operation upon a "**retrievable item identified by the link**" can be selected.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claim 1 is patentably distinguishable over Wolff. Claims 15 and 21 include features similar to those described above with respect to claim 1, and are likewise patentably distinguishable over Wolff for at least the reasons stated above. The remaining claims depend from one of claims 1, 15 and 21 and are likewise patentably distinguishable over Wolff for at least their dependence on an allowable base claim, as well as for additional features they recite. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

III. **§103 Rejections**

The Office Action rejects claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wolff in view of U.S. Patent 6,301,586 to Yang et al. ("Yang"). Further, the Office Action rejects claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wolff. Still further, the Office Action rejects claims 26-29 and 31-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wolff in view of Yang. Yet further, the Office Action rejects claim 30 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wolff in view of U.S. Patent 6,618,163 to Roosen et al. ("Roosen"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

As discussed above, independent claims 1, 15 and 21 recite, *inter alia*, "inserting injectable control content, represented by an icon, button or image, into the received document at a specified location adjacent to the link to the retrievable item. . . wherein selection of the injectable control content executes a functional operation upon the retrievable item identified by the link" (emphasis added). As discussed above, Wolff does not teach or

suggest such features. Yang and Roosen also do not disclose, teach or suggest such features.

Therefore, any combination of Wolff, Yang and Roosen cannot make up for the identified deficiencies and would not have rendered obvious the invention recited in claims 1, 15 and 21. The remaining claims depend from one of independent claims 1, 15 and 21 and therefore include features similar to those described above. Therefore, these claims are allowable at least for their dependence on an allowable base claim. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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